

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 743

By Tracy

A RESOLUTION to commend Jasmine Junice Bowden for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who commit themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine Bowden is one such individual who distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Jim Tracy and the Senate Transportation Committee; Jasmine's work resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Jasmine has achieved academic success while majoring in American studies and sociology and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity and the National Black Law Student Association, Pre-Law Division; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Jasmine Bowden brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2014 session of the One Hundred Eighth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine distinguished herself as Senator Tracy's loyal and efficient Legislative Aide. Senator Tracy could not have made it through this grueling legislative session without Jasmine's expert help and advice; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine performed her duties with great skill, displaying intelligence, creativity, and initiative. She did a superb job of working with the Senate Transportation Committee staff and performed all necessary duties to make certain the Committee ran

smoothly; she was also adept at lining up lobbyists and constituents while maintaining proper crowd control in Senator Tracy's office; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine was very cognizant of the needs of her fellow staff members and she cheerfully ran errands whenever asked, in order to keep peace and harmony in the office. She was also very good at keeping calm and composed on those nerve-wracking Committee days; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine was a hardworking, dedicated Legislative Assistant – a vital part of Senator Tracy's staff. Her good nature and indomitable spirit garnered the respect of her fellow staff members, as well as members of the Tennessee General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2014 legislative session, Jasmine surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Jasmine Bowden performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Jasmine Junice Bowden for her outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Jim Tracy and the Senate Transportation Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.